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## **INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO. 1037**

**DATE:** July 29, 2011

**TO:** All Iowa Medicaid Hospitals Not Located in Iowa

**ISSUED BY:** Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

**RE:** Elimination of Graduate Medical Education (GME) Payments for Out-Of-State Hospitals

**EFFECTIVE:** September 1, 2011

Effective for dates of service beginning September 1, 2011, Iowa Medicaid has eliminated direct and indirect graduate medical education (GME) payments to out-of-state hospitals. Iowa Medicaid processes GME payments on a monthly basis which are then paid out two months in arrears. For example, GME for September 1, 2011, through September 30, 2011, dates of service would be paid during the month of November 2011.

Therefore, out-of-state hospitals that qualify and receive GME payments will see those payments continue in July 2011 through October 2011 (for dates of service May 1, 2011, through August 31, 2011) but will cease in November 2011.

If you have any questions, please contact the IME Provider Services Unit, 1-800-338-7909, locally 515-256-4609 or by email at [imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us](mailto:imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us).